Minutes

Present: Commissioners: Michael VanDam (Chair), Steven Tobiason (Secretary), Sara Dulkin, Candice Cusic, Adam Williams
SSA Program Director – Kace Wakem
Membership Director – Sara Bemer
Public Forum / Guests: Carlos Diaz, Office of 36th Ward Alderman Villegas, Committee on Economic, Capital, and Technology Development

Not Present: Chris Hunt (Vice-Chair), Amy Laria (Treasurer), Jenny Rossignuolo, Nora McCarthy,

- Call to Order: Michael VanDam called the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m.


* Sara Dulkin motioned to approve 7/11/19 minutes, with edits. Adam Williams seconded this motion and it was approved unanimously.

- Financial Report & Budget:
  - 2019 P&L Statement, Balance Sheet and YTD statement distributed and reviewed.

* Adam Williams motioned to approve 2019 Financial Statements. Sara Dulkin seconded this motion and it was approved unanimously.

  - Review Budget Amendments
    - Moved $2,500 from 2.10 City Permits to 2.11 Snowplowing
    - Moved $1,000 from 4.09 Data Collection to 4.08 Master Planning

* Steven Tobiason motioned to approve the budget movements listed above. Candice Cusic seconded this motion and it was approved unanimously.

- Contracts:
  - Chicago Event Graphics – Review Holiday Decoration Garland quote, increased by $8,000 due to Chinese Tariffs.

* Adam Williams motioned to approve the increased Holiday Garland Quote from Chicago Event Graphics. Candice Cusic seconded this motion and it was approved unanimously.

- Rebate / Grant Updates:

  - Façade Rebate Applications:
    - Review City Mural Registry Program – Discussion about program. Commission asked Kace to get info on which Chamber’s had registered their murals thus far and report back.
• **2130 W. Chicago Ave, Cornelia McNamara Flowers** – in process, waiting for timeline update. Owner has been MIA on information, may need to cancel application approval.

• **1637 W. Chicago Ave, CDT Realty Corp** – Finished & Paid

• **1529 W. Chicago Ave, Fry the Coop** – In Process.

• **1721 W. Chicago Ave, Ice Cream Shoppe** – In Process, requesting timeline update.

• **689 N. Milwaukee Ave, Condo Association** – Review & Vote
  - Tabled
  - **Kace to inquire why the Condo Association is paying for the project and who owns the storefront unit**

➢ **Security Rebate Applications:**

• **1721 W. Chicago Ave, Ice Cream Shoppe** – Tabled. Still waiting on quotes.

➢ **Public Art Grant Applications:**

• **1529 W. Chicago Ave, Artist: Sick Fisher** – Finished & Paid

• **1916 W. Chicago Ave, Artist: Amuse126** – Finished & Paid

• **Marketing / Beautification / Safety / Other:**

  • **Landscaping:** 1 more mulching in the fall, monthly weeding by hand, tree care ongoing.

  • **Street Cleaning:** Ongoing. No updates.

  • **Banners & Holiday Decorations:** Garland update above.

  • **Discover West Town Mobile App:** Tabled.

  • **Master Plan:** Plan needs to be presented to West Town Neighbors Association and Chicago Grand Neighbors Association.

  • **People Spot:** Tabled

  • **Bike Racks:** Tabled

  • **Bike Friendly Business District:** Tabled

• **Neighborhood Updates:**

  ➢ 8/3 – 8/4/19 – Dancing in the Streets from 12pm – 10pm

  ➢ 8/26 – 8/30/19 – Kace out for vacation, back in 9/3/19

  ➢ 8/27/19 – Member Mixer at District Brewyards from 6pm – 8pm

  ➢ 9/2/19 – Labor Day – office closed

  ➢ 9/11/19 – WTCC WPB Joint Member Mixer at Adventure Stage 6pm – 8pm

  ➢ 9/17/19 – Member Breakfast at WTCC Office – 10:30am – 11:30am

  ➢ 9/19/19 – Info Seminar: Conflict Management for Small Businesses, taught by the Center for Conflict Resolution, hosted at the Superior Street Center for the Arts – 10am – 11am

  ➢ 9/27 – 9/28/19 – West Town Art Walk, HQ Ciao Chicago – Friday 5pm – 8pm and Saturday 12pm – 8pm

• **Old Business:**

• **New Business:**

• **Public Forum:**

• **Adjournment:**

  *Candice Cusic moved to adjourn meeting at 11:54 am. Steven Tobiason seconded this motion at it was approved unanimously.*

***Next SSA Commission Meeting Date: Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 11am***